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**RESOLVED**, That, Congress consider the confederation as a compact between the several states for mutual good.

That, the union under that compact, has a right to demand the duties stipulated to be performed by each state, expressed by the articles of the said compact.

That, the first claim which the whole has on its parts, is to comply with the formation of the sovereignty, as a compliance therewith is essential to the execution of the purposes of the confederation.

That, the states have a right to appoint their delegates, subject to the qualifications of the fifth article of the confederation, as they may please.

That, such appointments being made conformable to the confederation, it becomes the duty of the states, [seasonably?] to send forward their delegates—and the state neglecting so to do, becomes responsible to the union for the delays and evils which may ensue from such neglect.